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PROCEDURE FOR THE MODERNIZATION OF AN ELEVATOR AND CLAMPING
DEVICE FOR AN ELEVATOR

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The present Information Disclosure Statement is being submitted simultaneously with the filing of the present application.

The enclosed references were cited in a European application corresponding to the present application. A copy of the European Search Report is also enclosed.

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European reference 837 025 discloses a drive system for an elevator. Applicants do not have an English-language translation of this reference readily available. However, an English-language Abstract thereof is enclosed.

Applicants do not have an English-language translation of Soviet reference 506 566, which from the drawing appears to illustrate a drive of some type for an elevator.

PCT reference WO 02/064482 discloses a two-way movable body driving mechanism for an elevator. Applicants do not have a complete English-language translation of this reference readily available. However, an English-language Abstract is provided on the first page of the reference.

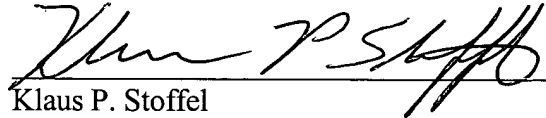
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